

RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES – August 15, 2012 (approved 4/24/13)

ATTENDING: Terry Cook, Sheldon Dyer, Michael Gerald, Frank Musiek, Howard Raphaelson, Anne Rash
STAFF: Jay O'Keefe, Curt Vincente
GUESTS: None

- A. Call to Order –Chairman S. Dyer called the meeting to order at 7:34pm.
- B. Approval of Minutes – A. Rash moved and T. Cook seconded that the minutes from the April 25, 2012 meeting be approved and the motion passed unanimously.
- C. Co-Sponsorship Application Update – C. Vincente gave a brief update on the Mansfield Little League activities this past spring and summer, noting that the MLL and the Town hosted the Sectional Little League tournament at Southeast Park in July. J. O'Keefe gave a brief update in the status of the WAM United Soccer group. C. Vincente gave an update on the status of the youth football and cheerleading program, noting that the group is now officially affiliated with the Pop Warner organization.
- D. Old Business – C. Vincente gave a brief update on membership, facility usage and discussed current marketing campaigns. This discussion included a review of spring and summer promotions and a new business partnership with the Oaks residents at the newly opened Storrs Center. A lengthy discussion was held on the fee recommendations from staff. The Town Council will be presented with annual fee recommendations in early October. Staff is suggesting a fee reduction for residents and they have cited the success of a spring promotions, results of a survey completed back in April and routine comments that they receive about cost of memberships. After a discussion, T. Cook moved and A. Rash seconded that RAC recommend to the Town Council a \$100 reduction in resident rates. The motion passed 5-1. C. Vincente briefly discussed improvements planned at Sunny Acres Park. Brief updates were given by staff on Southeast Park, Skate Park and Lions Memorial Park.
- D. Correspondence – Parks and Recreation Month designation and corresponding information was acknowledged.
- F. New Business – C. Vincente briefly reviewed the Winter quarterly report. J. O'Keefe provided a brief report on Summer programs and presented a preview of Fall programs. C. Vincente discussed the budget for fiscal year 2011-12 ending June 30, 2012, noting that the Parks and Recreation Program Fund finished the fiscal year in the black.

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02pm.